

EFFECTIVE

October 1, 2009.

SUBJECTS

1. Foster care payment corrections.
 - RFS 205, Childrens Foster Care (FC) Payment Schedule.
 - RFS 206, Independent Living Payment Schedule.
2. Annual federal cost-of-living changes.
 - RFT 250, Food Assistance Program (FAP) Income Limits.
 - RFT 255, FAP Standards.
 - RFT 260, FAP Issuance Tables.

1) FC Corrections.

RFS 205, 206

FC payment schedules have been revised to correct pay period dates from August 2009 through the end of the calendar year.

**2) Annual Federal
cost-of-living
changes****RFT 250, 255, 260**

Bridges is updated to support the annual cost-of-living update for Food Assistance Program heat and utility standards, income limits and benefit issuances. The update will appear in budgets with an effective date of October 1, 2009.

Due to federal regulations, the cooking fuel standard used in determining FAP benefits is decreased from \$59 to \$37 per month and the trash/garbage removal standard is decreased from \$14 to \$13 month. Additionally, the standard deduction for group sizes of one to three is decreased from \$135 to \$132.

**MANUAL
MAINTENANCE
INSTRUCTIONS**

Changed Items (content changes) ...

RFF 859

RFS 205

RFS 206

RFT 250

RFT 255

RFT 260